

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 2-11 with the following amended paragraph.

From Fig. 1 an apparatus 10, or parts thereof, emerges, consisting essentially of a transport element 11 in the form of a conveyor belt for transporting the meat lying on the conveyor belt through the apparatus 10 in the transport direction (according to arrow T) from a processing or input station connected upstream (not illustrated) to a processing or output station arranged downstream (likewise not illustrated), a cutting element 12 for cutting and/or trimming the meat, a counter-surface 13 for the cutting element 12 and at least one control and/or regulating apparatus 40 wherein the control and/or regulating apparatus is in functional connection with the cutting element 12.

Apparatuses 10 of this kind serve the processing meat of all kinds, the description below relating as an example to the processing of fish or fish fillets.